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Spider-Man has made one of the biggest decisions in his life by turning against Tony Stark, a.k.a. Iron Man, and the United States government. And by joining Captain America's rebellion against the Superhuman Registration Act while his secret identity is already revealed to the world, Peter has put himself and his loved ones in a dangerous position—they are now fugitives from justice and prime targets for the government and its shadowy conspirators.

Now the government has cast a crucial move against the webslinger by enlisting his arch-nemesis, Adrian Toomes, a.k.a. the Vulture, to track him down. Armed with the knowledge that Spider-Man is actually Peter Parker and that ex-girlfriend Deb Whitman has written a scathing, tell-all memoir about her relationship with Peter, the Vulture crashed a book signing where both Deb and Peter were present.

A battle ensued between the webslinger and his winged enemy during which the Vulture slashed Spider-Man with his new poisoned claws. The poison caused Spider-Man to lose consciousness hundreds of stories above ground, sending the webslinger into a perilous plummet. The Vulture had barely celebrated this victory when he was knocked unconscious by a mysterious affliction and joined Spider-Man in his fatal plunge towards the pavement...

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"FALLING!"



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EATON
PENCILER

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DELL
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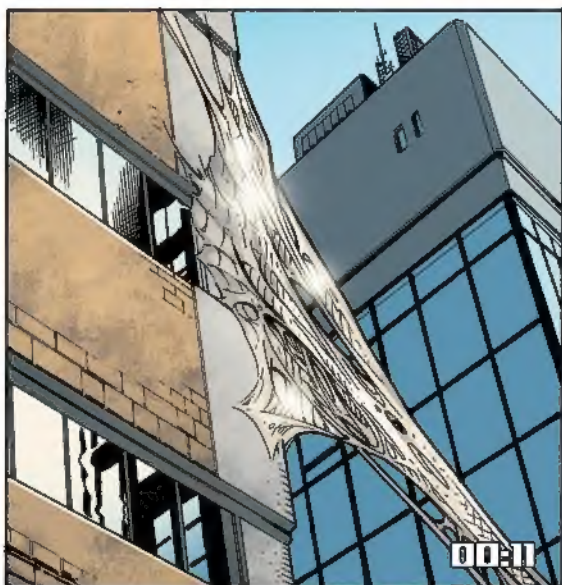
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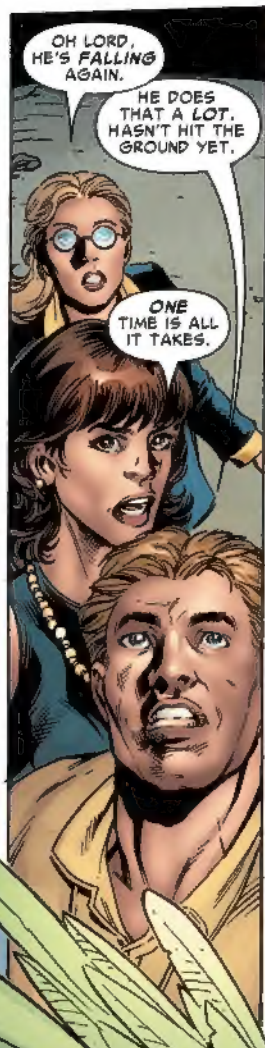
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OH LORD,
HE'S FALLING
AGAIN.

HE DOES
THAT A LOT.
HASN'T HIT THE
GROUND YET.

ONE
TIME IS ALL
IT TAKES.



OKAY,
VULCHY!
YOU WANTED
TO DANCE!
LET'S--



VULTURE?
TOOMES?



IF THIS
IS SOME KIND
OF TRICK,
I'LL--



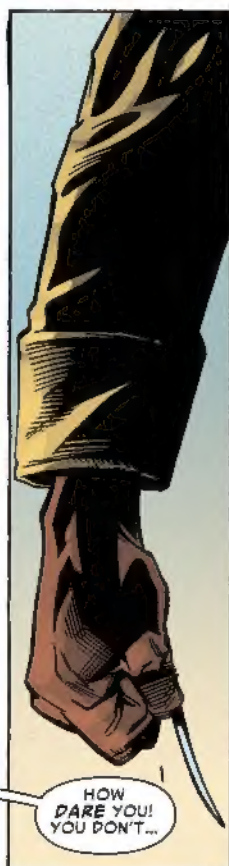
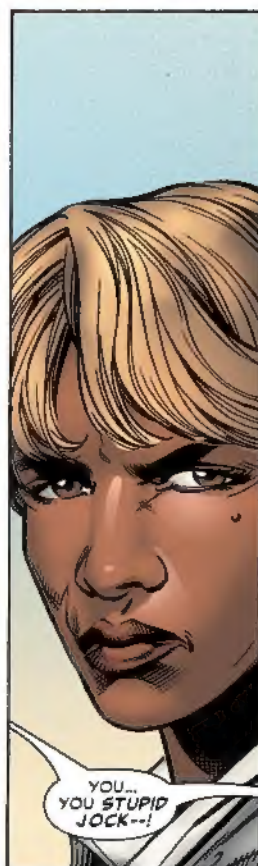
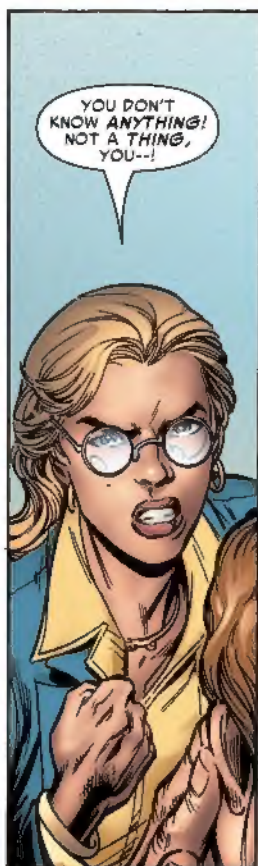
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IT'S NO
TRICK.

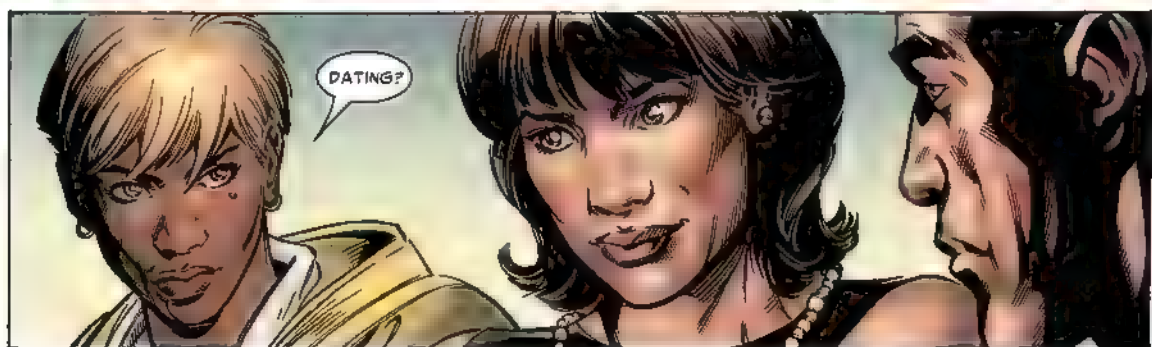
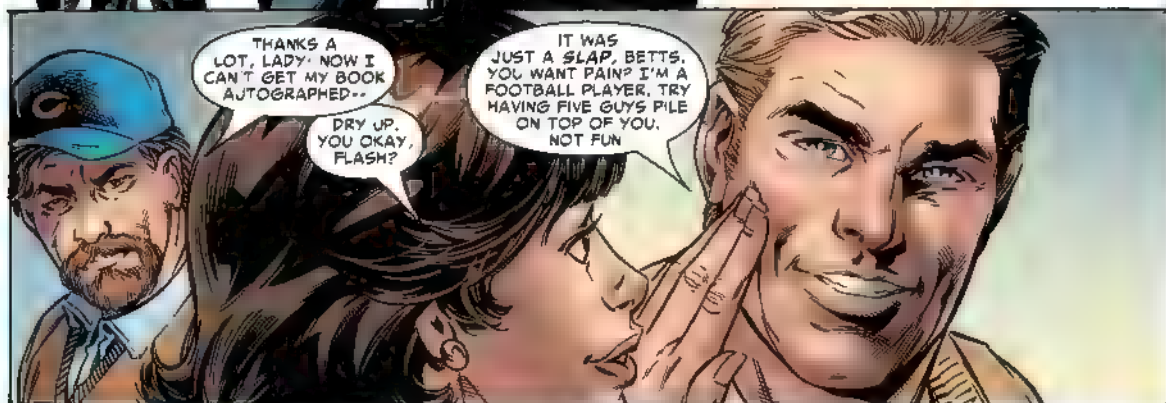
MY
SPIDER-SENSE
IS ACTING LIKE HE'S
NOT EVEN THERE.
HE'S NO THREAT.

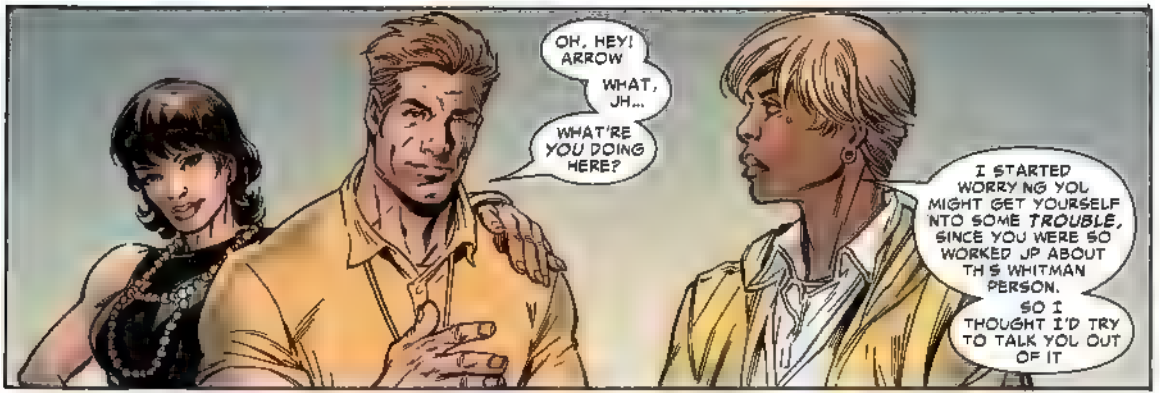
SOMETHING'S
HAPPENED TO
HIM...



...AND I'M
SURE NOT THE
ONE TO FIGURE
OUT WHAT IT
WAS.







OH, HEY!
ARROW
WHAT,
JH...
WHAT'RE
YOU DOING
HERE?

I STARTED
WORRYING YOU
MIGHT GET YOURSELF
INTO SOME TROUBLE,
SINCE YOU WERE SO
WORKED UP ABOUT
THIS WHITMAN
PERSON.
SO I
THOUGHT I'D TRY
TO TALK YOU OUT
OF IT



OH, WHEN
YOU'VE KNOWN FLASH
AS LONG AS I HAVE,
YOU'LL KNOW NO ONE
CAN TALK HIM OUT OF
ANYTHING.

BETTY
BRANT...THIS IS
MISS ARROW, THE
SCHOOL NURSE
WHERE I'M
TEACHING

ARROW,
BETTY BRANT...
A DAILY BUGLE
REPORTER...

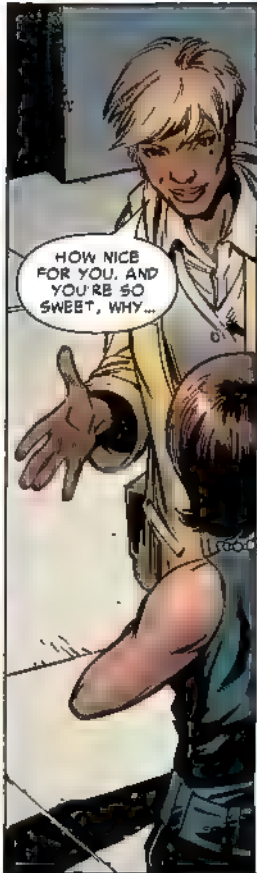


AND FORMER
GIRLFRIEND. I SEE
YOU LEFT OUT
THAT PART.

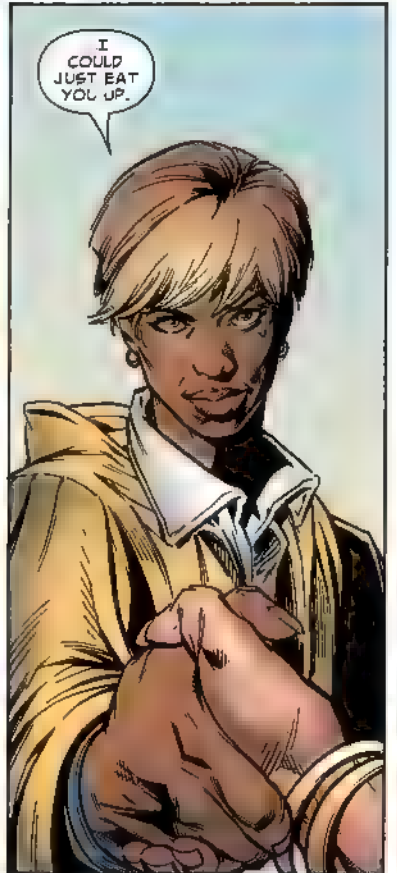
WELL,
SAVING THE
BEST FOR
LAST.



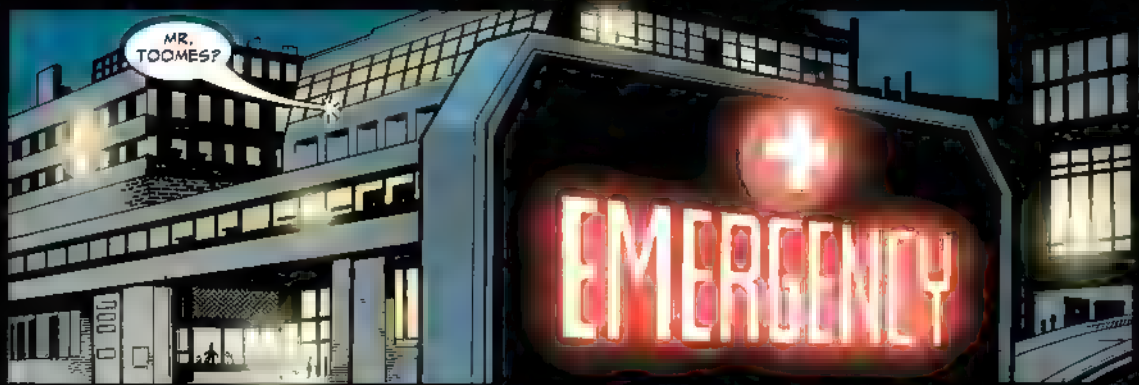
FORMER
GIRLFRIEND.
WELL...



HOW NICE
FOR YOU. AND
YOU'RE SO
SWEET, WHY...



I
COULD
JUST EAT
YOU UP.



MR.
TOOMES?



MR. TOOMES,
I'M DOCTOR PROCTOR.
AND DON'T BOTHER WITH
THE JOKES, I'VE HEARD
THEM ALL.

MR. TOOMES,
I WANT YOU TO
FOLLOW THIS LIGHT
WITH YOUR EYES.



UMM
HMM...

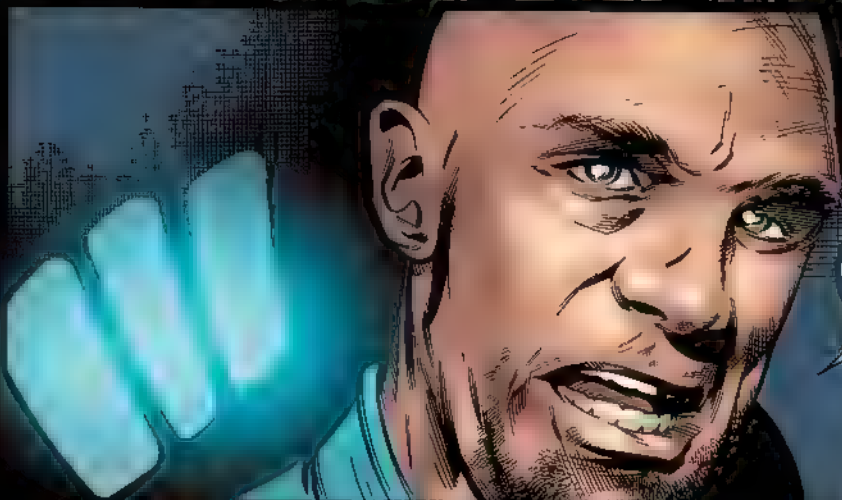


UMM
HMM, VERY
GOOD.



VERY
GOOD.

MR.
TOOMES, I'LL BE
PERFECTLY CANDID
WITH YOU...



YOU'VE
HAD A CVA--A
CEREBROVASCULAR
ACCIDENT. WHAT
YOU WOULD CALL
A STROKE.

IT'S AFFECTED
NEUROMUSCULAR
ACTIVITY ON THE
LEFT SIDE OF YOUR BODY.
THERE'S SOME PARALYSIS...
YOU'LL HAVE DIFFICULTY
SPEAKING FOR A
TIME...

